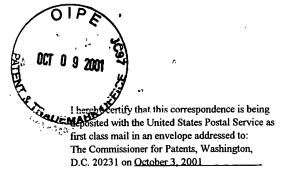
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### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In compliance with Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby submits the following references for consideration by the Examiner. Copies of all of the references are enclosed along with a completed copy of Form PTO-1449.

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## I. DISCLOSURE

## A. <u>II.S. Patents</u>

Patent No.	Inventor	Issue Date
4,070,759	Nelle	01/31/78
4,160,328	Ernst	07/10/79
4,170,826	Holstein	10/16/79
4,273,447	Nelle	06/16/81
4,320,578	Ernst	03/23/82
4,413,416	Ernst	11/08/83
4,479,304	Nelle	10/30/84
4,509,262	Nelle	04/09/85
4,530,157	Nelle	07/23/85
4,534,113	Holstein	08/13/85
4,549,354	Affa et al.	10/29/85
4,554,741	Affa	11/26/85
4,559,707	Oberhans	12/24/85
4,586,760	Welker	05/06/86
4,593,471	Nelle	06/10/86
5,611,148	Affa	03/18/97
5,655,311	Affa	08/12/97
6,092,296	Nelle	07/25/00

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"Acu-Rite – ENC 150 Mounting Instructions," Published by Acu-Rite of Jamestown, 1.

New York, while the date of publication is unknown it is believed to be prior to

February 9, 2001, pp. 1-7.

П. CONCLUSION

It is believed that none of these references, alone or in combination, disclose or suggest

the invention claimed. However, Applicant wishes to make it clear that the disclosure of the

above references is in no way an admission that they qualify as prior art. It is Applicant's desire,

however, to have these references available in the record for both the Examiner and the public to

see. Applicant therefore requests that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of each reference

and make the above-listed references of record.

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